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Haven arrived in the city today to  
spend a few days with her parents and  
friends.

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the city today.

Milton Hinkley was called to Berrien  
Springs today on business.

The Owl club will meet this evening  
with Mrs. C. W. Schriver. Mr.  
Schriver will entertain the gentlemen  
Owls at 11:30 p. m.

ALL HUMORS OF THE BLOOD,  
from the small pimple to the dreadful  
scrofula sore, are cured by Hood's Sars-  
aparilla, which thoroughly purifies,  
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Political Announcements.  
I desire to announce myself a candi-  
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S. WARNER.

Candidate for Clerk.  
Subject to the will of the republican  
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myself a candidate for the office of city  
clerk for the city of Benton Harbor.

FRED A. HAMLIN.

Announcement for City Clerk.  
I hereby announce myself as a candi-  
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Harbor, subject to the will of the Re-  
publican city convention.

R. P. CHADDOCK.

I desire to announce myself as a candi-  
date for the office of city treasurer  
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FRANK D. CONGER.

Wanted to exchange—House and lot  
and two vacant lots in the village of  
Gaylord, Otsego county, Mich.; also 40  
acres adjoining the village of Gaylord.  
Will exchange for house and lot or  
small farm near Benton Harbor. The  
above is free from all incumbrance.  
For particulars address: Hattie Cald-  
well, Gaylord, Mich. or James McDon-  
ald, Benton Harbor. 432t

It knocks a cold in one night. Ask for Nos-  
s-kold at Bird's drug store. Satisfaction guar-  
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Notice of intention to incorporate the  
Sunshine Accident and Sick Ben-  
efit Association.

To whom it may concern:—  
Notice is hereby given that the un-  
derigned, John H. Jackson, A. B.  
Hill, John H. Herr, S. G. Antisdale,  
W. H. Hollis, W. G. Newland and R.  
M. Jones, a majority of whom are resi-  
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Dated Benton Harbor, Feb. 12, 1907.

### Some Kind Words That Entice the Pathway.

In a letter from Mrs. Chas. Knicker-  
bocker, of Jackson, Mich., whose con-  
nection with the celebrated cook book  
entitled, "Gleanings From Home and  
Field," is well known, she was kind  
enough to say by letter to the Postum  
Cereal Co., Ltd., of Battle Creek,  
Mich.: "I have finally found something  
to take the place of coffee in your 'Pos-  
tum Cereal Food Coffee.' You have a  
thing that thousands of people have  
been needing and wishing for, a drink  
to take the place of coffee, which to  
them is poison, though so delicious and  
so hard to give up. I speak from ex-  
perience."

Mrs. Glass, of Spencer, Iowa, writes:  
"Our grocer has ordered the Postum  
Cereal from Des Moines, and we like it  
well, and many are trying it."  
"It is meat and drink to our bodies,  
and satisfaction to our souls and con-  
science, because we realize it is not  
only harmless but it is nourishing."

Wily grocers sometimes work in  
cheap imitations of Postum Cereal Food  
Coffee if the customer will stand it.

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

How it Will Be Observed in This City.

The Young Men's Sodality of St.  
John's church will give a grand ban-  
quet and ball St. Patrick's day, March  
17. Two halls have been engaged for  
the occasion and elaborate plans have  
been made to insure a grand time to all  
who attend.

The banquet to be given at Conkey's  
hall where interesting toasts will  
be responded to by notable speakers  
from home and abroad, such as Rev.  
Fr. Cullinane, Niles; James O'Hara, St.  
Joseph; Rev. George A. Sahlin, Benton  
Harbor and John Glavin from New  
Buffalo who will act as master of cere-  
monies. The speeches will be inter-  
mixed with musical numbers compris-  
ing the best talent in the city, and fol-  
lowed by a comedy farce entitled "The  
Champion of Our Sex," given by eight  
young ladies. The banquet will be fol-  
lowed with a grand ball at Jones &  
Sonner's hall. The admission, which  
will be 50 cents, admits you to all.

### FASHION NOTES.

Boleros of Black, Jet Embroidered Tulle.  
Theater Boleros.

For evening wear silks and gauzes, il-  
luminated with lines of metal woven into  
the fabric, are much employed. They make  
charming richer bodies and bodies in  
the trimming. Pale pink and silver, green  
or violet and steel or gold are among the  
fashionable combinations.

Tennis flannel is now used by many  
mothers for the house-dresses of babies and  
little children. It comes in very pretty,  
delicately striped, and the little



OUT OF DOOR COSTUME.  
frocks made of it may be washed as easily  
as a handkerchief. Lace or embroidery  
serves as a trimmings. The material is  
neat, inexpensive and durable and to be  
highly recommended for its softness and  
warmth.

For the theater it is not necessary to  
have a costume en suite of great elabera-  
tion, as only the upper part of the figure  
is in evidence. A high, satin skirt with  
silver with innumerable laces, and the  
skirt need not be absolutely fresh either.  
The corsage, however, must be immacu-  
late and must be of a kind that lights up  
well. The sleeves of all such bodies are  
long, extending over the hand in the medi-  
eval style.

The fashion of pale gloves continues,  
but glove kid has almost entirely replaced  
suede. This is fortunate, as the dull, un-  
even surface of suede makes its purity  
even more short lived than that of kid,  
and gloves of the latter become soiled soon  
enough. Pretty, however, the material is  
cream and white and the preferred tones  
for gloves even for the street, white in  
particular being favored.

The illustration shows an out of door  
costume of eucalyptus green amazon cloth.  
The bodice is divided on each side from  
the rest of the skirt by panels of red and  
black plaid silk. The panels are crossed  
by short straps fastened by gold buttons,  
and black embroidery adorns the foot of  
the front of the skirt. The blouse of plaid  
silk is covered by a slashed bolero of green  
cloth ornamented with black embroidery  
and fastened with buttoned straps. The  
sleeves are arranged with plaits at the top  
over which passes a strap which fastens on  
the shoulder. The waist is trimmed with  
straps and gold buttons and is finished by  
a full of lace. The collar and belt are of  
black satin.

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### CLOSING OUT SALE

Garden Seeds and "Up-to-Date"  
Spray Pumps must be sold by May  
1st, as we have got to move. Look  
out for great bargains. Save money  
by buying of  
**C. GODFREY & CO** WATER ST.

And down from Eden's portal  
Brought this sweet world to be,  
As the sublime archangel,  
He laughed with veiled eyes,  
For he bore within his bosom  
The seed of paradise.  
He hid it in his bosom,  
And there such warmth it found  
It broke in bud and blossom,  
And the rose fell on the ground.  
As the green light on the prairie,  
As the red light on the sea,  
Through fragrant belts of summer  
Came this sweet world to be.  
And the grave archangel, seeing,  
Spread his mighty vane for flight,  
But a glow hung round him feeling  
Like the rose of an arctic night,  
And softly moving heavenward  
By Venus and by Mars,  
He heard the joyful planets  
Hail earth, the rose of stars.  
—G. E. Woodbury in Century.

### HAS THE UMBRELLA FAD.

Chicago Man Who Carries It to Greater  
Extremes Than Most People.

There is a man on the North Side  
who has the umbrella fad. It would  
hardly be fair to tell his name, as it  
was learned in confidence, and the fad  
might not be regarded as a mere eccen-  
tricity by some people who have sufficed  
from it and they might be tempted to  
complain to the police. Again, every-  
body who has lost an umbrella—and  
that means a majority of the people of  
Chicago—would look up his address in  
the directory and sweep down upon him  
with the hope that his lost property  
might be in his collection.

There are other men who have a  
weakness for taking umbrellas, but no  
man is known to have carried it to so  
great an extreme as this one. He has a  
collection numbering 400 umbrellas of  
all kinds. A good many of them were  
bought. Some of them were borrowed  
from friends, with and without their  
permission, and others were acquired in  
other ways which it would be hardly  
polite to mention. The man is a good  
citizen in other respects, but he is a vic-  
tim of the umbrella habit, and when he  
sees an umbrella he is compelled to  
struggle very hard to resist the tempta-  
tion to make himself its owner. Usual-  
ly he yields to the temptation, and the  
coveted prize is transferred to his col-  
lection.

The umbrella collector does not make  
any great display of his collection. The  
umbrellas are piled up in a big closet in  
his bedroom, and he very seldom visits  
it. Now and then he looks over them and  
counts them with satisfaction. The last  
time he counted them there were 398 in  
the closet. He has added a few to his  
collection since that time.

In every other way except this pas-  
sion for umbrellas, which amounts to a  
mania, the man is perfectly sane. His  
friends regard him as a very clever  
man, and he holds a responsible posi-  
tion in a big wholesale house down  
town. But umbrellas are his weakness.  
He is a victim of the umbrella habit  
just as another man might be a victim  
of the opium habit or morphine habit.  
His relatives are in constant fear  
that the habit may some day get him  
into trouble. —Chicago Times-Herald.

A Pointed Question.  
The great question whether the use  
of forks is understood in Chicago hav-  
ing been happily settled in Paris, it  
may be asked in seriousness whether  
forks are not too much used in Chicago  
and everywhere else. Not that anybody  
wants to use the knife for conveying  
food to the mouth, but might not the  
teaspoon as a part of the dinner equip-  
ment be a little more prominent?

People of breeding train their chil-  
dren to eat peas, for instance, with a  
fork, taboos the spoon for no apparent  
reason other than that its use would  
simplify and facilitate the operation.  
On the same principle they ought to eat  
their peas with chopsticks, as a Chi-  
nese man could easily do. So with certain  
kinds of pie and pastry. The wish is  
marred by the loss of knives too thin for  
the fork to carry. Yet the man who  
values his social reputation must not  
ask for a spoon.

The proper use of the silver fork  
might be better understood if it were  
regarded as a modified shovel with limi-  
tations imposed by its slits. For solids  
it is an excellent shovel. For liquids it  
is naturally a failure. The countryman  
who on his first visit to a city hotel  
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Our Trade  
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While business is dull and  
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How It Will Be Observed in This City.  
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The banquet to be given at Conkey's hall where interesting toasts will be responded to by notable speakers from home and abroad, such as Rev. Fr. Callinan, Niles; James O'Hara, St. Joseph; Rev. George A. Sullivan, Benton Harbor; and John Clayton from New Buffalo who will act as master of ceremonies. The speeches will be interspersed with musical numbers comprising the best talent in the city, and followed by a comedy force entitled "The Champion of Our Sex," given by eight young ladies. The banquet will be followed with a grand ball at Jones & Sonner's hall. The admission, which will be 50 cents, admits you to all.

**FASHION NOTES.**  
Beleros of Black, Jet Embroidered Tulle, Thunder Bolts.  
For evening wear silks and gauzes, illuminated with lines of metal woven into the fabric are much employed. They make charming theater dresses and require little trimming. Pale pink and silver, green or violet and steel or gold are among the fashionable combinations.  
Tulle is now used by many mothers for the home dresses of babies and little children. It comes in very pretty, delicately tinted stripes, and the little

  
C. L. Landecker of Chicago is in the city today.  
Milton Hinkley was called to Berrien Springs today on business.  
The Owl club will meet this evening with Mrs. C. W. Schriver. Mr. Schriver will entertain the gentlemen Ows at 11:30 p. m.  
ALL HUMORS OF THE BLOOD, from the small pimple to the dreadful scurfy sore, are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which thoroughly purifies, vitalizes and enriches the blood.  
HOOD'S PILLS cure nausea, sick headache, indigestion, biliousness. All druggists. 25c.  
Political Announcements.  
I desire to announce myself a candidate for the nomination of city treasurer, subject to the action of the republican city convention.  
S. WARNER.  
Candidate for Clerk.  
Subject to the will of the republican city convention I desire to announce myself a candidate for the office of city clerk for the city of Benton Harbor.  
FRED A. HAMMAN.  
Announcement for City Clerk.  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for city clerk of the city of Benton Harbor, subject to the will of the republican city convention.  
R. P. CHADDOCK.  
I desire to announce myself as a candidate for the office of city treasurer subject to the action of the republican city convention.  
FRANK D. UNGER.

Wanted to exchange—House and lot and two vacant lots in the village of Gaylord, Oshtemo county, Mich.; also 40 acres adjoining the village of Gaylord. Will exchange for house and lot or small farm near Benton Harbor. The above is free from all incumbrance. For particulars address Battle Caldwell, Gaylord, Mich. or James McDonald, Benton Harbor. 4321t  
It knocks a cold in one night. Ask for Nux-a-Kold at Bird's drug store. Satisfaction guaranteed. Price 25 cents.  
Notice of Intention to Incorporate the Sunshine Accident and Sick Benefit Association.  
To whom it may concern:—  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, John H. Jackson, A. B. Hill, John H. Hill, S. C. Antisdale, W. H. Hollis, W. G. Newland and R. M. Jones, a majority of whom are residents of the state of Michigan, intend to organize and incorporate the Sunshine Accident and Sick Benefit Association, under the general laws of the state of Michigan, with the principal place of business at Benton Harbor.  
A. B. HILL,  
JOHN H. JACKSON,  
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S. C. ANTISDALE,  
W. H. HOLLIS,  
W. G. NEWLAND,  
R. M. JONES.  
Dated Benton Harbor, Feb. 12, 1897.

**FROM PLEASANT PEOPLE.**  
Come Kind Words That Smooth the Pathway.  
In a letter from Mrs. Chas. Knickerbocker, of Jackson, Mich., whose connection with the celebrated cook book entitled, "Gleanings From Home and Field," is well known, she was kind enough to say by letter to the Postum Cereal Food Co., Ltd., of Battle Creek, Mich.: "I have finally found something to take the place of coffee in your 'Postum Cereal Food Coffee.' You have a thing that thousands of people have been needing and wishing for, a drink to take the place of coffee, which to them is poison, though so delicious and so hard to give up. I speak from experience."  
Mrs. Glass, of Spencer, Iowa, writes: "Our grocer has ordered the Postum Cereal from Des Moines, and we like it well, and many are trying it."  
"It is meat and drink to our bodies, and satisfaction to our souls and conscience, because we realize it is not only harmless but it is nourishing."

Wily grocers sometimes work in cheap imitations of Postum Cereal Food Coffee if the customer will stand it.  
**THE ROSE OF STARS.**  
When love, our great immortal, Put on mortality And down from Eden's portal Brought this sweet world to be, As the solstice rehunged, He laughed with veiled eyes, For he bore within his bosom The seed of paradise.  
He hid it in his bosom, And there such warmth it found It broke in bud and blossom, And the rose fell on the ground. As the green fields on the prairie, As the red light on the sea, Through fragrant belts of summer Came this sweet world to be.  
And the grave angel, seeing, Spread his mighty wings for flight, But a glow hung round him fleeing Like the rose of an arctic night, And sadly moving heavenward By Venus and by Mars, He heard the joyful phoebus Hail earth, the rose of stars. —G. E. Woodbury in Century.  
**HAS THE UMBRELLA FAD.**  
Chicago Man Who Carries It to Greater Extremes Than Most People.  
There is a man on the North Side who has the umbrella fad. It would hardly be fair to tell his name, as it was learned in confidence, and the fact might not be regarded as a mere eccentricity by some people who have suffered from it and they might be tempted to complain to the police. Again, everybody who has lost an umbrella—and that means a majority of the people of Chicago—would look up his address in the directory and sweep down upon him with the hope that his lost property might be in his collection.  
There are other men who have a weakness for taking umbrellas, but no man is known to have carried it to so great an extreme as this one. He has a collection numbering 400 umbrellas of all kinds. A good many of them were bought. Some of them were borrowed from friends, with and without their permission, and others were acquired in other ways which it would be hardly polite to mention. The man is a good citizen in other respects, but he is a victim of the umbrella habit, and when he sees an umbrella he is compelled to struggle very hard to resist the temptation to make himself its owner. Usually he yields to the temptation, and the coveted prize is transferred to his collection.  
The umbrella collector does not make any great display of his collection. The umbrellas are piled up in a big closet in his bedroom, and he very seldom visits it. Now and then he looks over them and counts them with satisfaction. The last time he counted them there were 398 in the closet. He has added a few to his collection since that time.  
In every other way except this passion for umbrellas, which amounts to a mania, the man is perfectly sane. His friends regard him as a very clever man, and he holds a responsible position in a big wholesale house down town. But umbrellas are his weakness. He is a victim of the umbrella habit just as another man might be a victim of the opium habit or morphine habit, and his relatives are in constant fear that the habit may come over him and lead into trouble. —Chicago Times-Herald.

**A Pointed Question.**  
The great question whether the use of forks is understood in Chicago having been happily settled in Paris, it may be asked in seriousness whether forks are not too much used in Chicago and everywhere else. Not that anybody wants to use the knife for conveying food to the mouth, but might not the teaspoon as a part of the dinner equipment be a little more prominent?  
People of breeding train their children to eat peas, for instance, with a fork, tabooring the spoon for an apparent reason other than that its use would simplify and facilitate the operation. On the same principle they ought to eat their peas with chopsticks, as a Chinaman could easily do. So with certain kinds of pie and pastry. The relish is marred by the loss of juices too thin for the fork to carry. Yet the man who values his social reputation must not ask for a spoon.  
The proper use of the silver fork might be better understood if it were regarded as a modified shovel with limitations imposed by its slits. For solids it is an excellent shovel. For liquids it is a natural failure. The countryman who on his first visit to a city hotel asked the waiter for a spoon with no slits in it was no legitimate subject of ridicule. He was an impartial critic, being without the prejudice of habit or tradition. —Hotel Mail.

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